

## Remsenburg - Speonk U.F.S.D.

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Dear Parents,

The safety of our students and staff are always of paramount concern in the Remsenburg-Speonk School District. As such, our school initiated testing of our drinking water in May of 2016, prior to State and Federal mandates. Samples were collected from all water sources in the building. A comprehensive report, which was completed by Enviroscience Consultants, Inc., is available on our District website at <a href="https://www.rsufsd.org">www.rsufsd.org</a>.

Please allow this letter to serve as a summary of these findings. Our consultants tested twenty water sources in the Remsenburg-Speonk Elementary School, and utilized a threshold of 15 parts per billion (ppb), which is the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) allowed by New York State.

The water samples were collected on May 24, 2016. Of the samples collected, one location exceeded the US EPA Action Level of 15 parts per billion (ppb) for the first draw. It is important to note that this location was a sink in the Language Arts Lab that had not been used in approximately 15 years. In fact, for at least the past six years it has been covered by a board and used as regular classroom shelving space. Upon receipt of the findings this location was immediately taken off line. Subsequently, it was capped off and can no longer be utilized to draw water. The room in question currently serves as our District's business office.

I would reiterate that all other locations in our building have tested below the 15ppb threshold and we have been advised that no further corrective action is necessary. In addition, our new water fountain/bottle filling stations are filtered and tested at the lowest possible levels. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school.

Thank you,

Ronald M. Masera, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools